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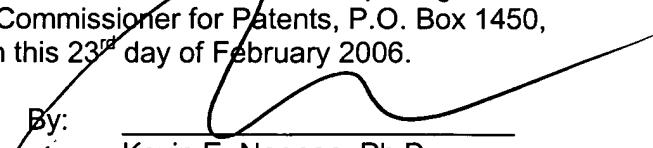
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Sir:

In regard to the above-identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached
 - a. Response to Official Action
 - b. Petition for Extension of Time
2. With respect to additional fees, an additional fee of \$60.00 is required.
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